

CHOOSE THE

TEAM

2012 SCHOOL CATALOG



# CHOOSING A SCHOOL

The FWCS School Catalog is your first step to finding the right school for your child.

## 2012 DATES TO REMEMBER

### January 28

All 50 schools will be featured at the FWCS School Choice Fair  
1-4 p.m.  
Northrop High School

### February 24

All Transfer  
Applications Due

### March 2

Secondary Schools  
Public Lottery

### March 23

Elementary Schools  
Public Lottery

• **Review your options.** Your child is already assigned to a school in his or her attendance area. To find out where your child is assigned, please call Student Services at 467-2120. If you decide to enroll your child in a magnet school, a high school Program of Study or a school outside the assigned attendance area, you must complete a transfer application. The applications are included in this book starting on page five. **Note:** Parents of children who currently attend a school outside their attendance area (includes magnet schools) must complete a transfer application by the application deadline if they wish to have their child return to a school in their neighborhood attendance area.

• **Read the school descriptions to choose the school that's best for your child.** This catalog includes detailed information about each school in FWCS. Schools are listed alphabetically, divided by elementary, middle and high schools. (Please see the map on page 25 to see where each school is located.) While reading the school descriptions, consider your child's needs. Does he or she enjoy the arts, math or science? Are there any special needs that should be considered? Are you looking for special programs for your child, such as after-school tutoring?

• **Attend the School Choice Fair on Saturday, Jan. 28, 2012, from 1-4 p.m. at Northrop High School, 7001 Coldwater Road.** The School Choice Fair gives parents and students an opportunity to meet school staff and learn more about the programs and services FWCS has to offer. Staff from Student Services and all of our schools will be available to answer questions about school options and help parents complete application forms. Admission is free, and childcare is provided.

• **Decide which school meets the needs of your child.** Many of our schools, particularly magnet schools, receive a large number of applications each year. When schools have more applications than space available, the district selects students by public lottery. Students not selected through the lottery are placed on a waiting list. It is important to have another option for your child's schooling in case there's a large demand for your first selection.

• **Complete the appropriate transfer application starting on page five.** Applications must be returned to any FWCS school or Student Services at the Grile Administrative Center, 1200 S. Clinton St., 46802. Applications for all schools are due on Feb. 24, 2012. For more information, please call Student Services at 467-2120.

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About...

# FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## FWCS – WE ARE YOUR SCHOOLS!

For more than 150 years, FWCS has prepared the children of Fort Wayne for successful careers in the arts, business, politics and other professional areas. Our commitment to excellence continues by offering the quality and innovative programs needed to help all students – from the most gifted to those who face academic challenges – achieve greatness. Everything your child needs to be successful is right here at FWCS because We Are Your Schools.

## SUPERINTENDENT

Wendy Robinson, Ed.D.

## BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Stephen Corona	Mark GiaQuinta
Becky Hill	Julia Hollingsworth
Jordan Lebamoff	Lisa Olinger
John Peirce	

## OUR MISSION

Fort Wayne Community Schools educates all students to high standards enabling them to become productive, responsible citizens.

## OUR VISION

Fort Wayne Community Schools will be the school system of choice and a source of community pride.

## WHO WE ARE

**Enrollment:** 30,992 (FWCS is Indiana’s second-largest school district)

**Employees:** 4,135 (1,929 teachers)

**Total Budget:** \$264,620,895

### Student Breakdown:

- Caucasian – 50%
- African American – 25%
- Hispanic – 13%
- Asian American – 4%
- Multi-racial – 7%
- Native American – 1%

### Students Eligible to Receive Free or Reduced-Price

**Meals:** 70%

### Languages Spoken in FWCS: 79

- FWCS spends 78% of its non-operational budget on instruction and ranks in the top 10% in the state.
- FWCS was the first school district in the area to offer district-wide full-day kindergarten.
- Many FWCS schools have received state or national recognition for their programs. Among them: Franke Park Elementary School is a NASA Explorer School – the first in Indiana, and Lindley Elementary is part of the International Spanish Academies Program.

- FWCS offers specialized Programs of Study at each of its five high schools, including the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) program at South Side High School, Project Lead the Way at Northrop and Snider high schools, Global Studies/World Languages at North Side High School and New Tech Academy at Wayne High School.
- Bunche Early Childhood Center was the first public school in the nation to receive accreditation from the American Montessori Society, the largest Montessori organization in the country. Bunche was re-accredited in 2011. Towles Intermediate School is the state’s only public 1-8 Montessori program.

## CONTACT US

Information .....	467-1000
Multilingual Information Line .....	467-2009
Superintendent .....	467-2025
Academic Services .....	467-2100
Nutrition Services .....	467-2055
Public Affairs .....	467-2020
Special Education.....	467-1110
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Transportation .....	467-1900
FWCS Web site .....	<a href="http://www.fortwayneschools.org">www.fortwayneschools.org</a>

Fort Wayne Community Schools is on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. Look for information on school and district happenings, pictures and videos of school events and details of weather delays and cancellations.



## WE ARE YOUR SCHOOLS

FWCS Nutrition Services  
serves over 23,000 lunches and  
over 7,000 breakfasts daily.

# YMCA SCHOOL-AGE CHILDCARE

The provider of FWCS extended childcare for the school year is the YMCA School-Age Childcare Program.

In keeping with the YMCA mission, it values the lives of all children and works to enhance the quality of their experiences at every opportunity. The YMCA offers safe, challenging and fun programs for youth up to age 12 by giving them ways to explore their world beyond home and school. The YMCA School-Age Childcare Program sites offer many options to fit the needs of you and your child.

## **BEFORE-SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMS: 6:30 a.m.-Start of school day**

### ***Program Site.....Schools Served***

Arlington .....	Arlington, Bunche, Croninger, Haley, Irwin, St. Joseph Central, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Forest Park .....	Adams, Bunche, Forest Park, Irwin, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Franke Park .....	Bloomingtondale, Franke Park, Nebraska, Price
Glenwood Park.....	Adams, Arlington, Blackhawk, Brentwood, Bunche, Croninger, Glenwood, Haley, Harris, Irwin, Lakeside, Lane, Lindley, Memorial Park, Shambaugh, St. Joseph Central, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Indian Village.....	Indian Village, Kekionga, Lindley
Lincoln .....	Bunche, Holland, Irwin, Lincoln, Northcrest, Shawnee, Towles, Washington Center, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Maplewood.....	Maplewood, Scott, Towles, Waynedale
Weisser Park.....	Abbett, Adams, Fairfield, Forest Park, Harrison Hill, Irwin, St. Joseph Central, Scott, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young

## **AFTER-SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMS: End of school day-6 p.m.**

### ***Program Site.....Schools Served***

Arlington .....	Arlington, Bunche, Croninger, St. Joseph Central, Irwin, Northwood, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Forest Park .....	Adams, Bunche, Forest Park, Irwin, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Franke Park .....	Bloomingtondale, Franke Park, Nebraska, Price, Towles
Glenwood Park.....	Adams, Arlington, Blackhawk, Brentwood, Bunche, Croninger, Glenwood, Harris, Irwin, Lakeside, Lane, Lindley, St. Joseph Central, Shambaugh, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Haley .....	Adams, Blackhawk, Bunche, Croninger, Haley, Irwin, St. Joseph Central, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Indian Village.....	Fairfield, Indian Village, Kekionga, Lindley, Portage, South Wayne, Study, Washington
Lincoln .....	Bunche, Holland, Irwin, Lincoln, Northcrest, Shawnee, Towles, Washington Center, Weisser Park, Whitney Young
Maplewood.....	Indian Village, Maplewood, Towles, Waynedale
Weisser Park.....	Abbett, Adams, Fairfield, Forest Park, Harrison Hill, Irwin, Scott, St. Joseph Central, Study, Towles, Weisser Park, Whitney Young

## **PRE-K PROGRAM: MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSIONS**

### ***Program Site.....Schools Served***

Whitney Young.....	Whitney Young
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*Program Sites are subject to change due to insufficient enrollment at a specific location.*

### **Program Fees**

**Registration:** \$15 per family on or before Aug. 8, \$30 after Aug. 8

**Before-School Care:** \$8.50 daily or \$40 weekly contract

**After-School Care:** \$11.50 daily or \$55 weekly contract

**Before- and After-School Care:** \$75 weekly contract

**Pre-school:** \$12 daily or \$55 weekly contract

**Two hour weather delays:** additional \$2 per day, per child

**All day care:** \$22 per day, per child

*CANI is accepted at all program sites.*

*YMCA financial assistance is available for qualified applicants.*

### **Additional Information**

- All before-school care sites open at 6:30 a.m. on two hour weather delay days.
- Glenwood Park will be open on weather cancellation days from 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Please send a lunch with your child.
- All day care is available at Glenwood Park on most scheduled vacation days from 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Please send a lunch with your child.
- All day care is available at Glenwood Park during winter and spring breaks from 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Please send a lunch with your child.

# AT A GLANCE

Help with finding the right school for your child

FWCS SCHOOL	Title I	English Language Learner Program	Feeder Area	Magnet School	School with Dress Requirements	Before / After School Childcare Site	Pre-school	Magnet, School Focus or Program of Study
<b>EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTERS</b>								
Bunche			SS	•			•	Montessori
Whitney Young	•	•	SS	•		b/a	•+	Arts
<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</b>								
Abbett	•	•	SS				•*	
Adams	•	•	S				•*	
Arlington		•	N			b/a		
Bloomington	•	•	NS				•*	
Brentwood	•	•	NS		•		•+	Latin Grammar
Croninger			S	•				Communications
Fairfield	•	•	SS				•*	
Forest Park	•	•	NS		•	b/a	•+	
Franke Park	•	•	NS			b/a	•*	NASA Explorer School
Glenwood Park			S			b/a		
Haley		•	S			a	•+	
Harris			S					
Harrison Hill	•	•	SS		•		•+	
Holland	•	•	N				•+	
Indian Village	•	•	W		•	b/a	•*	
Irwin			**	•				Math & Science
Lincoln		•	N			b/a		
Lindley	•	•	W					Spanish Immersion
Maplewood	•	•	W			b/a	•*	
Nebraska	•		W				•*	
Northcrest	•	•	NS		•		•*+	
Price		•	W				•+	
St. Joseph Central			N					
Scott	•	•	W		•		•*	
Shambaugh			N					
South Wayne	•	•	SS				•*	
Study	•	•	W		•		•*	
Washington	•	•	W				•*	
Washington Center		•	N				•+	
Waynedale	•	•	SS		•			
Weisser Park		•	SS	•		b/a		Arts
<b>INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL</b>								
Towles			SS	•				Montessori
<b>MIDDLE SCHOOLS</b>								
Blackhawk			S					
Jefferson			N					
Kekionga	•		W					
Lakeside	•		NS		•			
Lane			S					
Memorial Park			SS	•				Arts
Miami	•	•	W					
Northwood	•	•	NS		•			
Portage	•		W					
Shawnee		•	N					
<b>HIGH SCHOOLS</b>								
North Side		•	NS					Global Studies/World Languages
Northrop			N					Project Lead the Way/Engineering
Snider			S					Project Lead the Way/Biomedical Sciences
South Side		•	SS					International Baccalaureate Program
Wayne			W					New Tech Academy and Business

N - Northrop Area  
NS - North Side Area

SS - South Side Area  
S - Snider Area

W - Wayne Area  
\*\* - Based on home address

b - before school  
a - after school

+ - Special Education  
Pre-school

\* - requires Title I  
home address

# CHOICE

What you need to know about your choices in FWCS

FWCS is proud of its policy that allows students to attend any school in the district, based on space availability and racial balance.

FWCS is committed to maintaining racially balanced schools that reflect the community's diversity, as agreed upon by the Office for Civil Rights, Parents for Quality Education with Integration and FWCS.

## MAGNET SCHOOLS

All students have an assigned school based on family residence location. FWCS also offers two magnet early childhood centers, three magnet elementary schools, one magnet intermediate school and one magnet middle school. Magnet schools have no attendance boundaries; students must submit an application for enrollment in these schools. Students are accepted based on space availability and racial balance. If a school has more applications than space available, names will be selected in a public lottery (with computer-generated lists). Lottery dates are: March 2, 2012, for Memorial Park and Towles Intermediate (6-8), the middle school magnets; and March 23, 2012, for the elementary school magnets – Bunche Early Childhood Center, Croninger, Irwin, Towles Intermediate (1-5), Weisser Park and Whitney Young Early Childhood Center. (See page five for application forms and details.) Once chosen, students will receive enrollment information from their magnet school principal. Students not selected in the lottery are placed on a waiting list.

**Students accepted into a magnet school or a school other than their assigned school are required to remain at the selected school for at least one year. Once accepted, parents need not apply again.**

## ELEMENTARY TRANSFERS

If a student is interested in attending a school outside his or her attendance area, a transfer application must be submitted by Feb. 24, 2012. Transfers are approved based on space availability and racial balance. The application can be found on page five. Lottery date: March 23, 2012.

## SECONDARY (MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS) TRANSFERS

Middle and high school students interested in special academic programs at schools other than their assigned school must complete the FWCS Middle/High Schools transfer application on page seven. Applications must be submitted by Feb. 24, 2012. That application must also be completed for any student who wishes to return to his original feeder area school. Lottery date: March 2, 2012.

### *Reasons for a secondary transfer include:*

- Curriculum – Students in grades 6-12 may wish to participate in a special curricular program or Program of Study that is available at another FWCS school but not available at the student's assigned school. Applications will be accepted on space availability and racial balance basis. If more students apply than there is space for, a public lottery will be held to select students to attend.
- Original feeder school – Students are assigned to middle and high schools based on the elementary school they are attending. Students attending an elementary school outside of their neighborhood attendance area, such as a magnet school or a school they transferred to, will

be in the feeder pattern for the school outside their attendance area. If they wish to return to their original neighborhood school feeder, a transfer application must be completed. The student will be returned to the original feeder plan if space is available and enrollment does not adversely affect racial balance.

Athletic eligibility will be impacted if a student transfers after his or her freshman year starts. The penalty is limited eligibility for one calendar year.

## KINDERGARTEN REQUIREMENTS

To enroll in kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year, the child must be 5 years old by Aug. 1, 2012. For the 4-year-old pre-school program, the child must be 4 years old by Aug. 1, 2012. Parents can apply for early entrance into kindergarten only. Applications are available at the Student Services office at the Grile Administrative Center, 1200 S. Clinton St. There is an application deadline for early entrance waivers. Parents may contact Student Services for deadline information at 467-2120.

## TRANSPORTATION

Yellow bus transportation from established bus stops is available to the magnet schools. It is the responsibility of the parent to provide transportation to the school or to the nearest already-established bus stop if a transfer is granted. For information, parents may contact FWCS Transportation at 467-1900.

## LIVING OUTSIDE FWCS

Students who live outside FWCS boundaries are welcome to attend FWCS schools, based on a school's space availability and racial balance. A tuition payment may be required. Fees are based on state funding. New fees will be set in August for the 2012-13 school year.

Study Connection, FWCS's nationally recognized tutoring program, is celebrating its 23rd year of connecting students with volunteers from businesses and other local organizations. To volunteer, call 467-8810.



# Elementary Schools Transfer Application

Students accepted into a magnet school or one other than their assigned school are required to remain at the selected school for at least one year. Once accepted, parents need not apply again. Out-of-district students who apply and are accepted may have to pay tuition.

*Students are admitted to a magnet school or school other than the student's assigned school based on space availability and racial balance. (Complete one application for each child.)*

**STUDENT NAME (please print):** \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (middle initial)

**BIRTH DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(month/day/year)

**GENDER (circle one):** Male Female

**CURRENT SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CURRENT GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ETHNIC DATA (circle *only* one):** Black  
White  
Asian  
Hispanic  
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  
Native American

<input type="checkbox"/> My Child currently receives Special Education services. (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> My Child currently receives Special Education services in a functional curriculum program. (check if applicable) <hr/> <i>Office Use Only:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Approved</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Not Approved</i> <i>Director</i> _____
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**STUDENT LIVES WITH: (circle one) Both Parents**

Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
(circle one) (last) (first) (initial)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(entire address, including St., Rd., Dr., etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(city, state) (ZIP)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(home) (work)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(cell)

**Father Mother Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
(circle one) (last) (first) (initial)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(entire address, including St., Rd., Dr., etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(city, state) (ZIP)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(home) (work)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(cell)

## INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

**This application must be received by Feb. 24, 2012.** Return the application to any FWCS school or mail to FWCS Student Services, Grile Administrative Center, 1200 S. Clinton St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802. For more information, call FWCS Student Services, 467-2120. **Second choices will not be honored after Feb. 24, 2012. Public lottery date is March 23, 2012.**

### TRANSPORTATION

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### IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Students enrolling in FWCS for the first time must provide a birth certificate and proof of immunizations.

**STUDENT NAME (please print):** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (last) (first) (middle initial)

**I AM APPLYING FOR (circle one):**

- |   |         |
|---|---------|
| Pre-school 3 years old ( <i>Bunche only</i> ) | Grade 2 |
| Pre-school 4 years old                        | Grade 3 |
| Kindergarten                                  | Grade 4 |
| Grade 1                                       | Grade 5 |

**SCHOOL CHOICE:** My first choice is \_\_\_\_\_

My second choice is \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST SIBLINGS (brothers, sisters) CURRENTLY ATTENDING OR APPLYING FOR FWCS:**

Name (last, first)	Current School and Grade	School Applying for
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

**TRANSLATIONS**

Spanish:  
 Para recibir este formulario en español, por favor llame al 467-2105 o al 467-2120.

Bosnian:  
 Da bi ste dobili ovaj formular na Bosanskom jeziku molimo nazovite ovaj broj: 467-2105 ili 467-2120.

Arabic:  
**467-2105 467-2120 للحصول على ورقة الطلب في اللغة ( العربية ) الرجاء الاتصال على الأرقام التالية**

Burmese:  
 ဒီမေင်ပုံစံကို (မြန်မာဘာသာ) နှင့်ရရှိလိုပါက ကျေးဇူးပြု၍ 467- 2120 (သို့) 467-2105 ထံသို့ ဖုန်းခေါ်ယူပါ။

Vietnamese:  
 Để lấy mẫu đơn này, xin vui lòng gọi 467-2105 hay 467-2120

<b>FOR STUDENT SERVICES USE ONLY:</b>		
Date Received: _____	Student No.: _____	
Spec. Ed Code: _____	Household Name: _____	Race Code: B W H A I HP
Attendance Area: _____	Date Entered: _____	Initials: _____



# Middle/High Schools Transfer Application

Students accepted into a magnet school or one other than their assigned school are required to remain at the selected school for at least one year. Once accepted, parents need not apply again. To attend a different school, including the original feeder school, parents must reapply the next year. Out-of-district students who apply and are accepted may have to pay tuition. PLEASE NOTE: Memorial Park Middle School and Towles Intermediate School are the district's magnet schools. Students from across the district may apply to attend. Memorial Park has a fine arts and foreign language focus and Towles Intermediate is a Montessori School. Students accepted into these programs should be expected to be involved throughout their time there. The High School Programs of Study require a four year commitment.

Students are admitted to a magnet school or school other than the student's assigned school based on space availability and racial balance. (Complete one application for each child.)

**STUDENT NAME (please print):** \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (middle initial)

**BIRTH DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(month/day/year)

**GENDER (circle one):** Male Female

**CURRENT SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CURRENT GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ETHNIC DATA (circle only one):** Black  
White  
Asian  
Hispanic  
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander  
Native American

My Child currently receives Special Education services. (check if applicable)  
 My Child currently receives Special Education services in a functional curriculum program. (check if applicable)

Office Use Only:

Approved  Not Approved

Director \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT LIVES WITH: (circle one)**  
**Both Parents** **Father**  
**Mother** **Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
(circle one) (last) (first) (initial)

Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
(circle one) (last) (first) (initial)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(entire address, including St., Rd., Dr., etc.)

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(entire address, including St., Rd., Dr., etc.)

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(city, state) (ZIP)

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(city, state) (ZIP)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(home) (work)

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### IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

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FWCS Middle/High Schools Transfer Application – back side

Student Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (last) (first) (middle initial)

**I AM APPLYING FOR (circle one):**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADE 6 7 8**

CHOICE OF SCHOOL 1st Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADE 9 10 11 12**

**Must Check One:**  
**Traditional Program of Study**

CHOICE OF SCHOOL 1st Choice: \_\_\_\_\_    
 2nd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF CHOOSING WAYNE HS PROGRAM, YOU MUST CIRCLE YOUR PROGRAM PREFERENCE BELOW:**

**New Tech Academy**  
**Business School**

TRADITIONAL	PROGRAMS OF STUDY
North Side	North Side for Global Studies/World Languages*
Northrop	Northrop for Project Lead The Way/Engineering*
Snider	Snider for Project Lead The Way/Biomedical Sciences*
South Side	South Side for International Baccalaureate*
Wayne	Wayne for New Tech Academy*
Wayne	Wayne for Business*

There are 11 options. Each option listed is a separate choice. Please list your first and second choices in the spaces provided. Designate whether you want your child enrolled in a traditional program or Program of Study by checking the appropriate box next to your selection. **If no box is checked, Traditional Program will be selected.**  
 \*Programs of Study require a four year commitment. Any student not honoring the commitment will be returned to their attendance area school. For a description of Programs of Study, please refer to the individual listing in this school catalog.

**LIST SIBLINGS (brothers, sisters) CURRENTLY ATTENDING OR APPLYING FOR FWCS:**

Name (last, first)	Current School and Grade	School Applying for
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

**TRANSLATIONS**

Spanish:  
 Para recibir este formulario en español, por favor llame al 467-2105 o al 467-2120.

Bosnian:  
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# SCHOOLS

Early Childhood Centers, Elementary, Intermediate, Middle & High Schools

## EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTERS

### **Bunche Early Childhood Center**

1111 Greene Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46803 • 467-4790

Marilyn Horan, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 241, Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten

#### *MAGNET SCHOOL*

Bunche Early Childhood Center uses the Montessori method of instruction, which focuses on the natural stages of child development in the preparation of an environment that cultivates the student's desire to learn. Education is offered for students ages three through five (pre-kindergarten and kindergarten). As an American Montessori Society accredited school, Bunche provides an environment with a Montessori-certified instructional staff, quality Montessori and supplemental materials, as well as a cooperative and supportive parent community.

- Bunche was the first public Montessori school in the nation to be accredited by the American Montessori Society. The school was re-accredited in 2011.
- Classrooms are multi-age and culturally diverse.
- Children learn by doing; "they learn from each other;" and they learn at their own pace. "Follow the Child," was the philosophy believed by Dr. Maria Montessori when she created the program more than 100 years ago.
- Students learn to initiate and complete work cycles that require greater concentration and fine motor coordination to master facts and concepts through practice with an array of hands-on manipulative materials.
- Indiana State Standards are followed while focusing on teaching peace and respect for self, others and the environment.
- Emphasis is placed on the individual's growth and progress, rather than on the comparisons with other children.

### **Whitney Young Early Childhood Center**

1026 E. Pontiac Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46803 • 467-8950

Sherry Britt, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 258, Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten

#### *MAGNET SCHOOL*

Whitney Young Early Childhood Center seeks to ensure student achievement by providing a nurturing environment, inspired by the Reggio Emilia philosophy, in which all children are valued, respected and encouraged to construct knowledge through guided exploration and social interaction as they discover the joy of learning.

- Whitney Young is fully accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.
- A beautiful, peaceful environment encourages children to collaborate, investigate and explore.
- Children and families are the focus of the school.

- Children work together and with adults to co-construct their knowledge based on their interests, experiences and Indiana State Standards.
- A wide variety of fine arts experiences form a solid foundation for continued participation in the arts magnet program.
- Special education pre-school is available.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance in kindergarten.
- Whitney Young achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Whitney Young achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

### **Abbett Elementary School**

4325 Smith Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46806 • 467-5800

Robin Peterman, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 279, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Abbett Elementary School is a diverse and empowering center for student learning. Each child is provided precise instruction to ensure academic success. Curiosity, risk-taking, kindness and collaborative learning are encouraged in each child and adult every day. Abbett is a student and family community center where we believe in the best from every adult and every child. All members of the Abbett family are encouraged and supported to be active participants in their own lifelong learning goals.

- Interactive Promethean Technology is offered in grades three through five.
- A computer lab is used by all grades weekly.
- There are computers in every classroom.
- Community partnerships include United Hispanic Americans, The Greater Fort Wayne Chamber of Commerce, Allen County Education Partnership, Study Connection, Project READS, Real Men Read, Junior Achievement, The University of Saint Francis, IPFW, Allen County Public Library, Master Spas, Parkview Health Network, the Indiana Department of Education and others.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including a Title I pre-school.
- A student-led broadcast center provides video/audio news and announcements daily.

## Adams Elementary School

3000 New Haven Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46803 • 467-5850  
Federa Smith, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 304, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Adams Elementary School is a dynamic learning center in which caring professionals provide research-based instruction to ensure each child is able to achieve academic success. Adams staff members provide a student-centered environment that empowers responsible lifelong learners to actively participate in a diverse society.

- A school-wide computer lab and weekly computer instruction supported by small computer labs in each classroom, allow students to use technology in all academic areas.
- A culture of universal achievement and high expectations is present for all.
- Adams is preparing students for college readiness everyday in everyday.
- A Parent University Program includes parents in the teaching and learning process.
- Adams promotes high academic achievement and constant development of good character.
- Partnerships with colleges and universities create opportunities to bring the reality of college to life for students.
- The Blessings in a Backpack weekend food program is offered to eliminate hunger as an academic barrier.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- Adams achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## Arlington Elementary School

8118 St. Joe Center Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46835 • 467-6000  
Jana Ankenbruck, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 566, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Arlington Elementary School fosters an atmosphere of excellence and high expectations for all students. School staff provides a safe, nurturing environment while assisting each student in reaching high levels of academic achievement. Incentive programs promote excellent behavior and strong academic performance. An active PTA provides many opportunities for parents to be involved in their children's education.

- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- The Fitness Mileage Club is encouraged for students in first through fifth grades.
- Family nights are held throughout the year to promote academics and family involvement.
- Students in fourth and fifth grades have the opportunity to participate in choir, Spell Bowl and Math Bowl.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Arlington achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## Bloomington Elementary School

1300 Orchard Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46808 • 467-6700  
Tim Bobay, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 310, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Bloomington Elementary School is a community of learners with distinction who embrace a culture of universal achievement and high expectations where we educate *all* students to high standards.

- Bloomington staff members provide a stimulating and enjoyable environment that promotes academic excellence and intercultural understanding. Our goal is to maximize learning potential and promote development of the whole child.
- Study Connection is offered through the help of Fort Wayne Newspapers and FWCS administrators in providing adult tutors.
- Recognition programs include "Chiefs Achieve," which are slips given to students for good behavior and for following procedures.
- An active PTA promotes parental involvement in the neighborhood school.
- High expectations for students and staff across the school promote open communication and collaboration among all staff members.
- Small computer labs and interactive writing tablets in each classroom integrate technology in all academic areas.
- Family nights throughout the school year promote parent participation.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.

## Brentwood Elementary School

3710 Stafford Drive • Fort Wayne, IN 46805 • 467-6775  
Dianna Chadd, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 551, Kindergarten through fifth grade and Buschor HEAR Pre-School

Brentwood Elementary School seeks to create an environment of academic enrichment and character building for lifelong learning. Its focus on the whole child through academic pursuits and extracurricular activities ensures that students are equipped to meet the needs of our global society. The integration of the Latin Word Power program in the literacy curriculum provides a strong foundation for excellence in other content areas. Brentwood's instruction provides the means for measurable, continuous student achievement leading to the mastery of a core curriculum through which each child will develop to his or her fullest potential.

- The Latin Word Power program and classical literature are integrated into reading and writing.
- Extracurricular activities are offered to provide enrichment for students of various interests and abilities, including LEGOS Robotics program, Student Senate, vocal choir, cross country and mileage clubs, basketball, dance, Drama Club and Study Connection.
- A Character Education program encourages students to demonstrate positive attitudes and develop habits of community service.
- Wireless mobile lab units, digital cameras and other technology equipment are used in the classrooms.

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- Uniforms are worn to develop a sense of cooperation in learning and to promote acceptance of all students.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.
- Brentwood achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.

## **Croninger Elementary School**

6700 Trier Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 467-6050

Rebecca Dennis, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 598, Kindergarten through fifth grade

### *MAGNET SCHOOL*

Croninger Elementary School children are educated in an atmosphere where race, creed and gender are not self-limiting. An environment is provided for mastery of basic academic skills with special emphasis on communications. Croninger is child-centered and is motivated by what is best for students. Through positive partnerships between school, home and community, children are encouraged to reach their potential academically, socially and emotionally.

- The communications focus develops skills that are required for success in learning and leading in the workforce of the future.
- Strong Elementary Literacy Framework reading program with special emphasis on using literature in the classroom encourages students to become lifelong readers.
- All students have the opportunity to work on television production, oral speaking and writing skills. A biweekly WCKN newscast and “Croninger Clips” video are produced by students and aired over the school’s closed circuit television system and LTV 54/24.
- Introduction of the Spanish language is taught to all students, incorporating the culture and some history and how the Hispanic world has influenced our society.
- Parent and community members keep informed through the Croninger Chronicle, a monthly newsletter for our school, individual teacher newsletters, and the newspaper, “Comunicación,” published by each of the fifth-grade classes.
- Croninger achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Croninger achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for seven years in a row.
- Croninger has received the state’s Four Star School Award five years in a row.

## **Fairfield Elementary School**

2825 Fairfield Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46807 • 467-5900

Jeff Cline, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 568, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Fairfield Elementary School is a school with a solid focus on continuous improvement and increased student achievement for every student. School culture is based on the premise that children learn best when they have both academic and social-emotional skills and see themselves as capable and competent to achieve at high levels.

- A clear vision, mission and expectations are at the heart of the school’s culture, focusing the work and guiding all aspects, creating a highly dynamic and diverse learning community where all are vested in the results.
- The school crafts a practical approach to creating a safe, challenging and joyful success culture, setting big goals and tracking progress toward those goals in every classroom and for every student.
- Rituals, routines and ceremonies celebrate successes, communicate values and recognize the special contributions of students, staff, parents and community members.
- Staff members work in highly collaborative team learning structures. Staff use multiple sources of data and information regarding student achievement to plan purposefully and execute effectively personalized and precise instruction to students.
- Parents receive frequent individual student progress reports through monthly grade level and department newsletters, quarterly data reports and daily/weekly student data folders.
- Every room is equipped with computers, listening stations, document cameras and interactive ePads for students.
- Family nights are held during the year to promote academics, family involvement and school-community pride.
- The student recognition program awards students with achievement tags throughout the year.
- Parents are welcome to visit the school and have access to teachers through phone, e-mail and a daily communication folder.
- The Blessings in a Backpack weekend food program is offered to eliminate hunger as an academic barrier.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- Fairfield achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## **Forest Park Elementary School**

2004 Alabama Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46805 • 467-6850

Jay Peters, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 637, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Forest Park Elementary School encourages student participation in a variety of experiences to improve student achievement, including community partnerships, service projects, school productions and after-school activities. Good citizenship and attendance are celebrated and rewarded. The school’s academic focus areas are reading comprehension, vocabulary development, problem solving and computation.

- The school’s Character Education Program encourages students to demonstrate positive attitudes and embrace the three R’s of being Respectful, Responsive and Reliable.
- Community service projects and participation in Habitat for Humanity are encouraged.
- After-school programs include Spell Bowl, Math Bowl, Girls

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## Forest Park Elementary continued

Running Teams, Study Connection, Extended Learning for Language Arts, Math, Parent Learning Enrichment workshops, Grandparent's Night, musical performances and student leadership council.

- An active PTA is involved with supporting students and parents.
- Students are recognized for making honor roll, attendance and citizenship.
- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- Special Education pre-school is offered.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- Forest Park achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## Franke Park Elementary School

828 Mildred Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46808 • 467-6925

Jim Emmerson, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 594, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Franke Park Elementary School seeks to guarantee that all students achieve personal excellence that will further lifelong learning through mastery of the core curriculum. The school focuses on science and space, supported by a partnership developed with NASA. Students engage daily in scientific and engineering adventures in the classrooms. The school provides a positive, diverse setting wherein students learn self-respect and appreciation for the uniqueness of others.

- The school is one of 50 schools in the nation named a NASA Explorer School.
- Technology is integrated into the curriculum.
- Intensive one-on-one tutoring is offered to students needing extra assistance.
- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.

## Glenwood Park Elementary School

4501 Vance Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 467-6200

David M. Weber, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 548, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Glenwood Park Elementary School strives to provide personalized, student-centered learning focused on mastery of the FWCS core curriculum while emphasizing creative and critical areas for a diverse student and parent community. The school emphasis is to enhance student achievement in the focus areas of our school improvement plan: reading comprehension, writing process, writing application, response to literature and language conventions.

- An outdoor science lab serves as an inspirational gathering place for art, writing and science discovery.
- The science lab is maintained by students and staff.
- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- Glenwood Park achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Glenwood Park achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## Haley Elementary School

2201 Maplecrest Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 467-4510

Nathan Spicer, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 613, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Haley Elementary School works closely with parents and community members to ensure success for all students. The school's focus areas are reading comprehension, problem solving and computation in math and science, which are designated in the School Improvement Plan. Teachers strive to provide the explicit instruction needed to help students grow in their academic efforts.

- One of the largest elementary media center collections in FWCS is housed at Haley.
- The school slogan is "Home + School = Success."
- Students participate in local and state competitions for academics and fine arts, including M.A.T.H. (Math Academic Teams for Hoosiers) Bowl and Circle the State with Song.
- Students use a 32-station computer lab for language arts and math instruction.
- Special Education pre-school is offered.
- After-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- Students are recognized for making the Honor Roll, attendance, citizenship, leadership, reading accomplishments and birthdays.
- A strong and active PTA supports the school's efforts.
- Study Connection is offered to students on-site and at an off-site location.
- After-school programs include Art Club, Basketball Club, a variety of intramural gym activities, scouts and other neighborhood programs.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Haley achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## Harris Elementary School

4501 Thorngate Drive • Fort Wayne, IN 46835 • 467-6300

Carolyn Sleet, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 399, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Harris Elementary School is an academy community emphasizing core academics and character building. It seeks to prepare students to become positive contributing members of society through a broad and balanced approach to education.

- The academy program emphasizes mastery of basic academic

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skills in reading, mathematics and communication in an orderly, focused learning community.

- Written agreements with parents support and reinforce high standards of academic effort and conduct.
- Reports are provided to parents daily using a Student Data Communication Log on student performance in the areas of citizenship, work and study habits.
- Before- and after-school programs are offered, including Study Connection, a partnership with Do It Best Corp., intramural activities, academic clubs, basketball teams and cheerleading.
- Students have the opportunity to participate in three special projects during the school year: Reflections, Science Fair and Young Authors.
- The community center is used extensively by neighborhood groups and organizations including Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Study Connection.
- The school's program focuses on character education.
- Harris achieved Commendable status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Harris achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## **Harrison Hill Elementary School**

355 Cornell Circle • Fort Wayne, IN 46807 • 467-7000

Jayson Balsley, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 734, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Harrison Hill Elementary School's staff is dedicated to school improvement and student achievement. It is an academy community emphasizing academics and portraying each child as a Student of Distinction. Harrison Hill is home of the "High Soaring Hawks," and it celebrates success every month.

- To be a Harrison Hill Academy Student of Distinction, students are expected to be engaged in learning, responsible, respectful, motivated and ready to learn each day.
- The academy program focuses on literacy during reading, writing, math, science and technology instruction.
- A code of conduct and standardized dress code are endorsed by parents, staff and students to foster learning.
- Students have the opportunity to participate in three special projects during the school year: Reflections, Science Fair and Young Authors.
- A computer lab is available to enhance learning opportunities.
- Study Connection and extracurricular activities, including STARS and GEMS, are offered.
- Partnerships include Fort Wayne Museum of Art, IPFW, Huntington University and Taylor University.
- Special Education pre-school is offered.
- Extended day tutoring is offered.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

- Harrison Hill achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## **Holland Elementary School**

7000 Red Haw Drive • Fort Wayne, IN 46825 • 467-7075

J. Michael Caywood, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 520, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Holland Elementary School seeks to guarantee that all students achieve personal excellence that will further lifelong learning through mastery of the core curriculum. Its focus is on environmental studies.

- A character education program encourages students to accept responsibility for their attitudes and actions.
- An outdoor lab is provided to help students become more aware of Earth's natural world.
- A computer lab is available for all students for learning keyboarding skills, creating documents and accessing the Internet for academic research.
- Fifth-graders have the opportunity to participate in the North Carolina Marine Studies field trip, which provides an in-depth study of the ocean.
- The Reading Counts! Program provides additional reading opportunities for students in grades three through five.
- A Theraplay Center provides special education students an opportunity for outdoor play while assisting with their physical and social needs.
- Special education pre-school is offered.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.

## **Indian Village Elementary School**

3835 Wenonah Lane • Fort Wayne, IN 46809 • 467-5200

Stephany L. Bourne, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 456, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Indian Village Elementary School, a professional learning community, educates all children to become lifelong learners by consistently establishing high expectations and by meeting all educational standards.

- Monday's weekly Pow-Wow gives staff and students a chance to celebrate student efforts.
- Uniforms are required to establish a strong focus on academics.
- A peaceful, family-like learning environment is a top priority with Project Peace used to prevent bullying and discourage student conflict.
- Triple A Club rewards students for top Achievement, Attendance and positive Attitudes every nine weeks.
- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- Fourth- and fifth-grade students participate in a strong Student

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Council that offers a way to get involved with charitable community, school and global projects.

- Student computers in all classrooms provide students the opportunity to stay current in 21st century computer skills.
- The school's PTA is very active and supports a variety of school initiatives.
- A partnership with the Anthony Wayne Rotary provides one-on-one tutoring and funding for students.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- Indian Village achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Indian Village achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### **Irwin Elementary School**

3501 S. Anthony Boulevard • Fort Wayne, IN 46806 • 467-5310  
Ingrid Laidroo-Martin, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 307, Kindergarten through fifth grade

#### ***MAGNET SCHOOL***

Irwin Elementary School is a Math and Science Magnet school that educates a diverse community of learners to high standards by emphasizing math and science across the curriculum. We are a school of choice with cutting-edge learning opportunities focused on empowering critical thinking and increasing student achievement.

- Students experience additional hands-on inquiry-based science and math going beyond the district's required curriculum.
- Students find the scientists inside themselves through simulation and exploration in the Discovery Lab, allowing them to imagine, investigate and invent.
- There is a high value placed on helping students develop the ability to think and analyze critically and quantitatively as they learn about the scientific world.
- Art, music and physical education classes integrate math and science concepts.
- Character development is an important focus for helping students develop socially as well as academically.
- Explicit, systematic instruction is provided in the Five Dimensions of Reading for students in grades K-3.
- All students and staff gather weekly to celebrate successes and learn from each other during "Blastoff" where individual accountability and collective responsibility are fostered for the school community.
- All Irwin students receive their own Irwin hat, a symbol of being part of the Irwin Rocket Team, with the opportunity to earn pins to wear on the hat for accomplishments throughout the years.
- A strong communication system between the school and home and a strong PTA support student learning.
- A diverse population of social, economic and ethnic backgrounds and a small school family atmosphere enrich the learning opportunities for all.
- Irwin boasts several extra-curricular opportunities to broaden our students' experiences: Math Bowl, Robotics, Computer

Game Development, a mini video production company, Student Council, Green Team, Book Club, soccer and basketball.

- Irwin has an outstanding, award-winning staff, including Portia Coe, the 2009 FWCS Teacher of the Year.
- Irwin received the distinction of being named an Indiana Four Star School in 2008 and 2009.
- Irwin achieved A or Exemplary status under Indiana Public Law 221 for the 2010-11 school year.

### **Lincoln Elementary School**

1001 E. Cook Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46825 • 467-5400  
Dr. Michael Shaffer, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 677, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Lincoln Elementary School seeks to guarantee that all students achieve personal excellence that will further lifelong learning through mastery of the core curriculum.

- Strong parent and community involvement support the neighborhood school.
- Extracurricular activities offered include The Lincoln Sensations, the school's show choir.
- EnVisionMATH and the Elementary Literacy Framework reach students who need extra help as well as those who need to be challenged further.
- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Lincoln achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Lincoln achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.
- Lincoln was named a National Title I Distinguished School in 2011.

### **Lindley Elementary School**

2201 Ardmore Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46802 • 467-5350  
Trudy Grafton, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 420, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Lindley Elementary School seeks to provide a learning environment that enhances academic, personal and social growth through an emphasis on reading, language arts and math skills, in which all students learn and succeed. Its focus is the Spanish Immersion program.

- Students learn to comprehend, speak, write and read in both English and Spanish.
- The Spanish Immersion program is recognized for helping to close the achievement gap between different ethnic groups on standardized tests.
- The school is a member of the International Spanish Academies Program, a prestigious program that partners schools with the Ministry of Education in Spain.
- Technology is integrated into the curriculum.

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- The University of Saint Francis works closely with Lindley.
- A strong emphasis on being respectful toward all individuals and accepting of their ethnic and cultural backgrounds is an important part of the school culture.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.

### **Maplewood Elementary School**

2200 Maplewood Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46819 • 467-7150  
Frank Kline, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 449, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Maplewood Elementary School focuses on reading, language arts and math. All grade levels concentrate on research-based best practices with an emphasis on the Elementary Literacy Framework.

- Staff and student mentoring is offered.
- Extra-curricular activities in sports are offered, including basketball and cheerleading.
- Quarterly parent nights focus on math, reading, writing and science.
- The annual Science Fair includes a pre-science night for parents and students.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.

### **Nebraska Elementary School**

1525 Boone Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46808 • 467-8000  
Carrie Kennedy, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 196, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Nebraska Elementary School works in partnership with parents and the community to ensure a safe, accepting and nurturing learning environment. It focuses on the Elementary Literacy Framework, writing and math.

- Students are recognized for achievements during activities such as “Cub Celebration.”
- Family nights and V. I. P. days (Very Important Parents) throughout the school year promote parent participation.
- The school has a Study Connection partnership with BAE Systems.
- Nebraska was named a “Pockets of Excellence School” by the Indiana Department of Education.
- Nebraska is a training site for Project Seed, a program that uses math to increase the educational options of urban youth.
- Nebraska offers a Blooming Readers for Kindergarten Partnership with the University of Saint Francis.
- Nebraska offers an Adult-Student Book Club.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.

- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- Nebraska achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Nebraska achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### **Northcrest Elementary School**

5301 Archwood Lane • Fort Wayne, IN 46825 • 467-5450  
Dawn Starks, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 430, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Northcrest Elementary School, a family of multicultural learners, seeks to ensure a safe and caring environment where everyone is valued and all students meet or exceed academic grade-level standards.

- Our rich cultural and ethnic diversity is reflected in a successful English Language Learner (ELL) program designed to help students learn to speak and use English.
- Uniforms are required to reinforce learning as a priority and promote acceptance of all students.
- Special Education pre-school is offered.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.

### **Price Elementary School**

1901 W. State Boulevard • Fort Wayne, IN 46808 • 467-4950  
Steve Jones, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 445, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Price Elementary School motivates and challenges students to be active and independent lifelong learners. Its focus is on the academic and social development of the individual child in line with the goals established by the Fort Wayne Community Schools Board of School Trustees.

- Price serves as a training and observation school for several universities, including IPFW, University of St. Francis and Indiana Tech.
- Price participates in the federal Fruit and Vegetable Program. Every student is offered a fresh fruit or vegetable every day.
- Special Education pre-school is offered.
- Tutoring and homework assistance programs are offered to help students reach their academic goals.
- After-school athletic and academic programs include Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and community sports.
- Students are given the opportunity to integrate technology into all academic areas.
- Price has a strong parent and community support that truly makes it a neighborhood school.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

### **St. Joseph Central Elementary School**

6341 St. Joe Center Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46835 • 467-6100  
William Critell, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 461, Kindergarten through fifth grade

St. Joseph Central Elementary School, in partnership with students, parents and the community, provides instruction, guidance and encouragement in a safe, fair and caring environment. This joint effort, based on high expectations, will promote academic, physical, emotional and social growth in all learners, require self-discipline and instill positive self-esteem. Students are viewed as individuals with various learning styles that are promoted by the staff in helping each child reach his or her academic possibilities.

- Extracurricular activities offered include choir (local and state), Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Book Club and Destination Imagination.
- Study Connection and Young Authors are offered.
- St. Joseph Central achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- St. Joseph Central achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### **Scott Academy**

950 E. Fairfax Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46806 • 467-8050  
Crystal Thomas, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 296, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

At Scott Academy, all children will achieve grade-level mastery of educational standards through the use of varied teaching and learning styles in an enriched environment that is both empowering and nurturing. The school focuses on proficiency in the areas of reading and math.

- Dress requirements reinforce learning as a priority and promote acceptance of all students.
- Students are recognized for their achievements often throughout the school year, including weekly Cadet Grams and monthly celebrations.
- Parent University offers classes to parents to enhance their knowledge of school curriculum and instructional strategies.
- A strong literacy program emphasizes the use of literature in all content areas.
- Stephen Covey's Seven Habits of Highly Effective People are integrated into the "CADET Code," which is "Caring, Achiever, Diligent, Efflorescent and Tactical."
- A growing PTA and Quality Improvement Team are opportunities for parents to become active partners in educational delivery services.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- Scott achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Scott achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### **Shambaugh Elementary School**

5320 Rebecca Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46835 • 467-6150  
Shawn Smiley, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 416, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Shambaugh Elementary School provides a student-centered environment focusing on precision-planned instruction. Shambaugh concentrates on meeting or exceeding academic benchmarks to ensure each student succeeds academically, physically and socially.

- Students are encouraged to follow the behavior code and are rewarded with monthly special activities.
- The media center promotes and supports the Elementary Literacy Framework model.
- Parent communication includes weekly academic and behavior reports.
- The Bowen Center supports students' social and emotional well-being.
- Parent involvement programs and family night activities are offered.
- An updated computer lab supports the curriculum and enhances student interaction with current technology that utilizes research-based models.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- Shambaugh achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Shambaugh achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### **South Wayne Elementary School**

810 Cottage Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46807 • 467-8100  
Brenda West, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 307, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

At South Wayne Elementary School, students, parents and staff members value learning, learn aggressively and work collaboratively to ensure success for every child. We are driven by the relentless pursuit of exceptional performance on work products and authentic performance tasks that result in mastery of state and national academic standards. The parents and staff members create and reinforce a culture of achievement and support for academic performance and behavior. High expectations are clearly visible in the way students and staff act and in the work they produce.

- An active PTA promotes parental involvement in the neighborhood school.
- Community partnerships, including Educational Opportunity Center, Boys and Girls Club and School Buddies, assist with education and social concerns.
- Fun Family Events throughout the school year promote parent participation.
- The Blessings in a Backpack weekend food program is offered to eliminate hunger as an academic barrier.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

## *South Wayne Elementary continued*

- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.

### **Study Elementary School**

2414 Brooklyn Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46802 • 467-8500

Brandon White, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 314, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Study Elementary School, in partnership with students, parents and the community, provides instruction, guidance and encouragement in a safe, fair and caring environment. This joint effort, based on high expectations, promotes academic, physical, emotional and social growth in all learners, supports self-discipline and instills positive self-esteem.

- The “Weekly 3-2-1 Soar” program offers increased special area time in art and physical education.
- “Study Family Meetings” meet regularly to encourage parent participation.
- Additional extended day learning opportunities are available outside the classroom to strengthen student learning, both during the school year and in the summer.
- Study Connection and Project READS are offered.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.
- Study achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Study achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### **Washington Elementary School**

1015 W. Washington Boulevard • Fort Wayne, IN 46802

467-8150

J. R. Ankenbruck, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 263, Pre-kindergarten through fifth grade

Washington Elementary School seeks to enhance student academic achievement by focusing on continuous improvement and child-centered learning and providing students with the essential foundation for making positive societal contributions. Its focus is on language arts and math.

- A partnership with the Fort Wayne Downtown Rotary Club called Stepping Stones seeks to transform lives one step at a time.
- Partnerships with local universities bring in education student interns who support student learning and provide assistance in the classroom.
- Students are tutored and mentored by adults from General Electric and Downtown Rotary through Study Connection and Big Brothers Big Sisters School Buddy program.
- After-school programs offer additional support, including Project READS and Title I Extended Learning Teacher Tutor Time sessions.
- Extensive parent involvement in programs supports learning.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.

- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance, including Title I pre-school.

### **Washington Center Elementary School**

1936 W. Wallen Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46818 • 467-6250

Richelle Miller, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 571, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Washington Center Elementary School motivates and challenges students to be active, independent and lifelong learners. Its focus is on computers and technology.

- Curriculum is supported by enriched technology guided by experienced teachers.
- Total technology infrastructure includes voice, video and data.
- Study Connection and Young Authors are offered.
- Special Education pre-school is offered.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

### **Waynedale Elementary School**

7201 Elzey Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46809 • 467-8820

Sara Wertman, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 557, Kindergarten through fifth grade

Waynedale Elementary School concentrates on students meeting or exceeding academic benchmarks to ensure each student succeeds academically, physically and socially at his/ her maximum ability. Its focus is on biophysical activities.

- The Elementary Literacy Framework instruction is provided in all classrooms with a specific focus on writing.
- Biophysical activities are integrated with academics. Unique opportunities are provided through the Physical Education department.
- Student recognitions celebrate success, emphasize good behavior and honor diversity.
- An active PTA promotes parental involvement.
- Classroom computers are available for technology instruction and technology is used as a means of instruction in all classrooms.
- Study Connection, after-school tutoring and Young Authors are offered.
- Small group in-school interventions for students struggling in reading and math are provided.
- Several community partnerships provide volunteers to the school.
- School Buddies are provided by Big Brothers Big Sisters through the United Way Learn United initiative.
- English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.
- Waynedale has an outstanding, award-winning staff, including Alanna Ford, the 2007 FWCS Teacher of the Year and an Indiana Teacher of the Year finalist.

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## Waynedale Elementary continued

- Waynedale achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Waynedale achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.
- Waynedale was recognized by the state of Indiana for having high student growth as measured by Indiana's Growth Model.

## Weisser Park Arts Magnet Elementary School

902 Colerick Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46806 • 467-8875

Kent Martz, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 544, First through fifth grades

### MAGNET SCHOOL

Weisser Park Arts Magnet School seeks to produce successful learners through a fusion of rigorous academics and distinguished arts instruction. It is part of the arts magnet program, educating students from Whitney Young Early Childhood Center in preparation for Memorial Park Middle School.

- A strong core arts curriculum in music, visual arts, theater arts and dance, with curriculum based on the National Standards for Arts Education, is available to every student.
- An expanded school day offers additional instruction in band, strings, choir, piano, theater arts, dance, pottery, textiles, chimes, photography, drawing and painting.
- Spanish instruction is offered to all students.
- An active multicultural education program focuses on a different continent each year, creating Common Threads of diversity.
- Before- and after-school childcare is offered on-site by the YMCA.
- High ability students are identified and levels of service provided.
- First Presbyterian Church serves as Weisser park's "Rising Stars" partner.
- Monthly Town Meetings are held to highlight student accomplishments in classrooms and in the arts.
- Students are given multiple opportunities to perform in drama and musical productions.
- Ensemble performing arts groups are featured during the January Arts Festival and May celebration.
- An in-school art gallery showcases student art work.
- Weisser Park has a Math Bowl team, a Spell Bowl team, book clubs and Imagination Destination.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Weisser Park achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Weisser Park achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

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FWCS made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) under No Child Left Behind for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years.

## INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

### Towles Montessori Intermediate School

420 Paulding Road • Fort Wayne, Indiana 46816 • 467-4300

Tamara Mullins, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 538, First through eighth grades

### MAGNET SCHOOL

Towles Montessori Intermediate School uses the Montessori Method of instruction, which focuses on the natural stages of child development in the preparation of an environment that cultivates the students' desire to learn. Towles provides an environment with a Montessori-certified instructional staff, quality Montessori and supplemental materials, as well as a cooperative and supportive parent community.

- A Montessori child should be self-motivated, focused, responsible, self-directed, self-disciplined, curious about the environment and be respectful of themselves, their peers, adults and the environment.
- Classrooms are multi-age, which allows students to stay with the same teacher for three years at the elementary level and two years at the middle school level.
- Specially trained teachers use not only the Montessori Method in their classrooms but also address all Indiana State Standards, the FWCS Elementary Literacy Framework and Secondary Comprehensive Literacy model, EnVisionMATH and other approved FWCS math curriculum, as well as Inquiry Based Grade Level Science Kits.
- Through practice with an array of hands-on manipulative materials, students learn about initiating and completing work cycles, which require greater concentration and fine motor coordination in order to master facts and concepts.
- Emphasis is on the individual's growth and progress, rather than on the comparisons with other children to recognize and value each child's particular strengths and contributions.
- Students are well-prepared for high school with opportunities to apply their knowledge of time management, decision making and organizational skills to real life situations.
- Students know how to work with a variety of people including young children, peers and adults in the classroom and the community and develop self-confidence and a vision for their future by knowing themselves.
- In middle school, students remain with the same teacher for the whole year and do not change from class to class or have passing periods.
- Towles offers Algebra and Advanced Spanish courses for high school credit.
- "Follow the Child," was the philosophy believed by Dr. Maria Montessori when she created the program more than 100 years ago. Children learn by doing, they learn from each other, and they learn at their own pace.
- Students in our program are required to perform 10-30 hours a year of community service and outreach. Our students focus on helping the community through a variety of activities: blood drives, knitting cancer caps, cancer walks, gifts for seniors, organizing needed food or hygiene supplies for local organizations and much more.

## *Towles Montessori Intermediate School continued*

- Towles offers all FWCS middle school sports with the exception of football. There are multiple clubs offered including: intramurals, instrumental lessons, newspaper, Creative Arts and Spanish Club.
- For more information about Montessori please visit the following Web sites: [www.amshq.org](http://www.amshq.org) or [www.montessori.org](http://www.montessori.org).

## **MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

### **Blackhawk Middle School**

7200 E. State Boulevard • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 467-4885  
Tim Matthias, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 832

Blackhawk Middle School, in cooperation with the community, seeks to provide an atmosphere fostering intellectual, social and emotional growth, so that students may acquire knowledge and skills needed for success in school and life.

- Emphasis is on a rigorous academic schedule that facilitates enrichment and remediation opportunities, including Spanish and advanced math, for all students.
- Elective related arts offerings for all three grade levels include art, computer application, television production, family and consumer science, industrial technology and a drama program that features two major productions each year.
- An award-winning fine arts program features full-year band and orchestra opportunities for students and an after-school jazz band and vocal ensemble that participates in local and statewide competitions.
- More than 30 after-school athletic and academic programs are offered, including Academic Team, Eagle Care Club, Science Club, football, volleyball, cross country, basketball, soccer, track and intramurals featuring golf, bowling and basketball.

### **Jefferson Middle School**

5303 Wheelock Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46835 • 467-4825  
Jeff King, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 748

Jefferson Middle School is committed to creating a positive environment where early adolescents achieve high levels of learning. Staff members serve as a Professional Learning Community to promote student success in a school striving for academic excellence, social equity and developmentally appropriate programming. Jefferson is full of Patriot Pride.

- A rigorous academic program is offered, including advanced courses in Spanish, Language Arts and math as well as broad offerings in the performing arts, including show choir, concert choir, band, orchestra, television production (Studio J) and a musical theater program.
- A competitive, comprehensive athletic program is offered featuring volleyball, cross country, soccer, football, track and basketball.
- Extracurricular activities include academic team, Leo Club, Anime, Pep Club, Spanish Club and yearbook.
- A school-wide emphasis on literacy focuses on reading and writing throughout the curriculum.
- The Jefferson community benefits from an award-winning PTSA. Students, staff and families work together on a number

of initiatives to promote learning through a climate of support and partnership.

### **Kekionga Middle School**

2929 Engle Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46809 • 467-6600  
Jennifer Mable, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 502

Kekionga Middle School is dedicated to educating each student to reach their fullest potential academically, socially and behaviorally in order to use their academic talent, ability and motivation to be successful adults.

- All staff are dedicated to promoting academic excellence for each student.
- Athletics, clubs and extracurricular sponsors strongly support the academic goals for our Kekionga students while promoting high interest activities for students.
- Teachers use data to drive instruction.
- Kekionga has one of the few middle school steel drum bands in the state of Indiana. Kekionga Steel Drumz perform in a variety of settings to rave reviews and released a CD in 2010.
- Kekionga is a member of the National Junior Honor Society Chapter with 20 student members.
- The Warrior Blue Bucks, a positive behavior rewards program, encourages students to make positive choices demonstrating readiness, responsibility, respect, reasoning and resiliency.
- Kekionga's Family Resource Center (FRC) encourages family involvement in the education of Kekionga students by offering computer access during school hours and serving as a vehicle for families to access community resources. The FRC also houses a small emergency food and clothing bank and, in the future, will offer opportunities for families to attend educational workshops that meet their current needs.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance in math and language arts classes.

### **Lakeside Middle School**

2100 Lake Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46802 • 467-8625  
Alan Jones, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 525

Lakeside Middle School addresses the needs of the whole child as they cross the bridge from elementary to high school. Lakeside is a supportive environment that provides strong teaching, leading to high achievement.

- A rigorous academic program includes advanced classes in math and language arts.
- A variety of clubs and after-school activities are offered to get all students involved including award-winning academic teams, Leaders of Lakeside, KJAMM Reading Club, Scrabble Club, Afternoons ROCK Program, Future City Engineering Club and many more.
- A diverse student population excels with a variety of academic contests and studies.
- Lakeside is a family-friendly school that offers physical, social and mental health referrals to students and their families.

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## Lakeside Middle School *continued*

- A national project through Junior Achievement called “International Marketplace” focuses on bringing business concepts into social studies classes.
- As the first FWCS middle school to implement student dress requirements, now in its 12th year, students know they are expected to dress appropriately daily.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.
- Lakeside achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### Lane Middle School

4901 Vance Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 467-4400  
Mark Bailey, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 582

Lane Middle School is committed to creating a positive environment where all students are encouraged to make sound personal and academic decisions to high standards. Lane is a Community of Learners and Leaders.

- All students receive a rigorous academic schedule that facilitates enrichment and remediation opportunities daily through all classes with an emphasis on relationships, rigor and relevance.
- Lane offers advanced language, math and science classes for all students, as well as high school credit for Spanish and Algebra 1 and 2.
- The Vikings “R” Successful Gold Stamp Program recognizes students for being Respectful, Responsible, Resilient, Reasonable and Ready students.
- A diverse population celebrates the differences and similarities among the student body.
- FINAO (Failure Is Not An Option) is an innovative tutoring and homework assistance program offered to all students to achieve academic success.
- A variety of after-school activities includes championship athletics and award-winning academic programs, reading and writing clubs, Japanese Club, computer clubs, Viking Voice (school newspaper) and many more.
- The National Junior Honor Society is offered to the top academic scholars earning a 3.5 GPA or higher. The chapter focuses heavily on academics and service hours.

### Memorial Park Middle School

2200 Maumee Avenue • Fort Wayne, IN 46803 • 467-5300  
Tim Rayl, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 608

#### MAGNET SCHOOL

Memorial Park Middle School is the fine arts magnet middle school offering the best opportunities for enrichment in instrumental music, art, foreign language, choir, speech and drama. An excellent foundation is provided to students as they further their education.

- Memorial Park has an Ambassador Program that helps students learn to assist school and community through responsible leadership and participation.
- Students consistently excel on standardized tests, including ISTEP+.

- More class time is provided as the school day is a half hour longer than the other FWCS middle schools.
- Students at Memorial Park are part of local and national award-winning competitions in academics, speech, music and sports. The show choir has been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City in March 2012. Art work has been displayed in local galleries and public buildings.
- High school credits are offered in Spanish, French, algebra and geometry.
- Memorial Park achieved A or Exemplary status for the 2010-11 school year under Indiana Public Law 221.
- Memorial Park achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

### Miami Middle School

8100 Amherst Drive • Fort Wayne, IN 46819 • 467-8560  
Hal Stevens, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 772

Miami Middle School is a neighborhood middle school where all students are valued and challenged to achieve high levels of learning.

- An innovative tutoring and homework assistance program is available during the school day and after school.
- A diverse population of students represents more than 25 countries and their cultures.
- Student mentoring is supported and implemented through the Educational Opportunity Center.
- The athletic sports teams and activities are highly recognized.
- An award-winning choir, instrumental bands and a highly respected show choir travel and compete throughout the state.
- Students can participate in after-school clubs including Black History Bowl, math and science clubs, Spell Bowl, Future City and Academic Bowl.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

### Northwood Middle School

1201 E. Washington Center Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46825  
467-2930  
Adam Swinford, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 662

The mission of Northwood Middle School is to ensure students are successful today and tomorrow.

- Northwood has an outstanding, award-winning staff including Denise Oaks, 2008 FWCS Teacher of the Year and Indiana Teacher of the Year finalist, and Todd Roberts, the 2006 FWCS Teacher of the Year and Indiana Teacher of the Year runner-up.
- Instruction has a strong emphasis on reading, writing, math and 21st Century skills.
- The school’s television studio (CTV) is a state-of-the-art facility with a grant from LTV 54/24. All daily announcements are broadcast and produced by students. This media class produces a program, “139@Northwood,” which is broadcast monthly on LTV 54/24.

## *Northwood Middle School continued*

- The related arts program offers many curricular and extracurricular options including show choir, jazz band, theater, musicals, strings, art, physical education and Spanish.
- A diverse student body representing more than 25 countries routinely supports the community by raising money and donating goods to charitable organizations.
- Northwood has many after-school opportunities including an all-girls club called “Sisterhood in the Wood,” an all-boys club called “Boys to Men” and “Title I Tutoring.” Students are encouraged to become involved in whatever interest they may have.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.

## **Portage Middle School**

3521 Taylor Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46802 • 467-4500

Jane Rentschler, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 473

Portage Middle School values high levels of learning for all students through strong communication among students, parents, families and the community.

- The school improvement team uses a data-driven process to ensure student achievement.
- Students from diverse backgrounds find common ground at Portage where the school’s offerings reflect a recognition of, and commitment to, the differing needs of students and families.
- Students from all geographical areas of FWCS come together in the Spanish Immersion program, designed to continue the education started at Lindley Elementary and to create bilingual learners with Spanish and English language skills. These students receive one hour in Spanish Immersion and one hour in a social studies class taught in Spanish.
- Portage values a high level of communication with families and was the first FWCS middle school to implement parent-teacher conferences.
- It is a specific goal of the school to involve every student in one of the school’s meaningful academic and extracurricular programs, such as Leo Club, Academic Bowl, Spell Bowl, Afternoons ROCKS, National Honor Society, Study Table, Mentoring and Bully Busting.
- WRAM, the Portage TV show, broadcasts informative programs each week for students and staff.
- Failure is No Option is the mission of the staff. Small language arts and math classes targeting individual students’ needs are used as an intervention for students struggling in those areas.
- Federally funded Title I programs support additional resources for improving student performance.
- Portage achieved Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind for the 2010-11 school year.

## **Shawnee Middle School**

1000 E. Cook Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46825 • 467-6525

Matthew Schiebel, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 787

Shawnee Middle School is dedicated to an organized climate of learning and experiences that will enable the young adolescent to realize academic excellence and achievement, as well as positive attributes and behaviors, which seek to result in a lifetime of expanded potential and accomplishment.

- Shawnee is home to the 2011-12 FWCS Teacher of the Year and state finalist, Carolyn Bookmyer.
- High academic performance is expected of all students in the learning community. Academic safety nets are provided for students needing additional support, while enrichment activities are offered for students who are ready to move beyond grade level standards. The result is a low failure rate and an honor roll containing more than half of the Shawnee student body.
- Extensive community outreach means working with various organizations including United Way, Campus Life, Fort Wayne Urban League, Boys and Girls Club, United Hispanic Americans, Study Connection and various youth groups.
- Students are given opportunities to further their education outside of the classroom through connections with academic organizations such as 21st Century Scholars, National Junior Honor Society and Midwest Academic Talent Search.
- More than 25 extracurricular clubs exist at Shawnee, including Spell Bowl, Academic Teams (math, science, social studies, language arts, interdisciplinary), Show Choir, Jazz Band, Extended Learning, Comic Book Club, Art Club, Fishing Club, Future Cities, Young Engineers, Chess Club, BMX/Skateboard Club and many more.
- A diverse culture, composed of students from more than 25 different countries, is celebrated as a strength of the school.
- Students interested in lifetime sports enjoy other recreational sports such as cross-country skiing, canoeing, bowling, water sports and other organized intramural games.
- Professional development is embedded in the work day. The Shawnee staff contains several master educators who are responsible for training other teachers across the district.
- A strong emphasis on writing across the curriculum has resulted in increased ISTEP+ and Criterion Writing Scores.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

## **WE ARE YOUR SCHOOLS**

FWCS educates all students to high standards  
enabling them to become productive,  
responsible citizens.

## HIGH SCHOOLS

### **Anthis Career Center**

1200 S. Barr Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46802 • 467-1010  
Larry Gerardot, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 920

The Mission of the Career Education Program at the Anthis Career Center is to provide intensive programs of study enabling students to prepare for post-secondary education and to gain marketable skills. Emphasis is placed on using new technology, developing a strong work ethic and understanding human diversity while acquiring a desire to learn and gain a sense of personal achievement. Continued growth through lifelong learning and a desire to serve within the community are encouraged. Career areas include: Allied Health Careers, Automotive Technology, Aviation, Careers in Early Education, Construction Trades, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Engineering Technology, Information Technology Academy, ICE (Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education) and Public Safety.

- Each career prep program area offers a hands-on curriculum.
- Twenty-two high schools in Northeast Indiana participate in the programs offered at Anthis.
- Programs are continually updated to meet industry-based standards.
- Dual-credit opportunities exist with local colleges.
- Students are offered unique opportunities to experience career pathways.
- National, state and local certifications are issued in most programs.

### **North Side High School**

475 E. State Boulevard • Fort Wayne, IN 46805 • 467-2800  
Chad Hissong, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 1,744

North Side High School offers a wide variety of programs to prepare students to lead responsible and productive lives.

- Advanced Placement courses in calculus, statistics, English, literature, biology, chemistry, physics, U.S. history, government and economics are offered.
- Honors programs are offered in English 9 and 10, Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry, chemistry and world history.
- Television studio and production classes produce the “News and Views” television program for students.
- Collegiate Connection allows seniors to enroll in up to two regular college classes per semester.
- Dual credit school-based college credits are offered.
- The marching band, jazz band and show choir consistently place in local and state competitions.
- The drama program produces plays and musicals, and extensive opportunities are offered at all levels of dance.
- The business department offers career-related coursework highlighted by the Career Connection Internship program, DECA and various levels of computer applications and programming classes.
- North Side is a diverse community with students from 18 coun-

tries on five continents speaking 29 different languages who take pride in becoming multilingual and valuable contributors to the community.

- North Side High School is the site for the Global Studies/World Languages Program of Study, which embeds global knowledge into courses to enable students to work, live and communicate in a global society. Emphasis is on an understanding of how the world’s people and institutions are interconnected and how critical global economic, political, technological, environmental and social systems operate interdependently across the world.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

### **Northrop High School**

7001 Coldwater Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46825 • 467-2300  
Barbara Ahlersmeyer, Principal  
2011-12 Enrollment: 2,252

Northrop High School places an emphasis on a strong and rigorous curriculum extending students’ knowledge while providing a safe and caring environment.

- Four years of Chinese, French, German and Spanish are offered.
- The performing arts program includes drama, dance, jazz band, orchestra, concert band, marching band, concert choir and show choir. Many have won state and local awards.
- A diverse and active student body participates in more than 48 organized activities including athletics.
- Students are able to experiment in and compete locally and at the state level in a myriad of fine arts competitions including drawing, ceramics, photography and jewelry.
- Staff members are committed to the use of technology to communicate with parents through Pinnacle and e-mail.
- Strong partnerships with collegiate and professional groups allow students to participate in internships and dual enrollments.
- The Teaching Academy is a two-year program designed to foster an interest in a teaching career.
- Advanced Placement and dual credit courses with IPFW are available for juniors and seniors.
- The Speech Team has been recognized year after year at state and national championships.
- Northrop is the site for the Project Lead The Way (PLTW)/Engineering Program of Study. PLTW provides real-world learning and hands-on experience to students interested in engineering, biomechanics, aeronautics and other applied math and science areas. PLTW courses engage students through activities-based, project-based and problem-based learning, which creates an environment for applying engineering concepts to real problems.

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## Snider High School

4600 Fairlawn Pass • Fort Wayne, IN 46815 • 467-4600

Deborah Watson, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 1,905

Snider High School seeks to promote academic and intellectual growth, to facilitate the acquisition of life skills and to encourage positive social interaction so that students and the community may thrive in an ever-changing environment.

- Snider was named by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce as a “Best Buy” and received “Honor Roll” school status for six consecutive years.
- All athletic teams have overall GPAs of 3.0 or higher.
- Attendance rates, graduation rates and percentage of graduates attending college are high.
- The Academic Letter program is offered.
- Snider offers four languages: French, German, Spanish and Latin.
- The marching band has competed at the state competition in six of the last seven years.
- Staff members are committed to the use of Pinnacle to communicate with parents.
- Dual credit classes, Advanced Placement classes and the Collegiate Connection programs allow students to obtain college credits.
- Snider is the site for the Project Lead The Way (PLTW)/Biomedical Sciences Program of Study, which is geared toward students contemplating a career in a health field. In addition to rigorous coursework, students have opportunities to participate in internships in various medical, therapeutic or diagnostic fields. The four-year Program of Study connects core classes with a possible medical career, making all courses relevant for students.

## South Side High School

3601 S. Calhoun Street • Fort Wayne, IN 46807 • 467-2600

Carlton Mable, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 1,525

The staff, parents and students of South Side High School embrace the diversity of our student population. We acknowledge that education is a cooperative effort. We accept the responsibility to challenge all students to reach their potential intellectually, physically and socially through varied educational opportunities.

- Students have the ability to showcase their fine arts talents through the award-winning speech team, show choir, jazz band, pep band, marching band, drama, visual arts, dance, choirs, orchestra and student publications.
- The diversity of South Side is a strength supported by the student body, faculty and community.
- Parents support school programs through the PTA, Fine and Performing Arts Boosters, Athletic Boosters, IB Parents Group, monthly Inside the Ivy community meetings and involvement on the school’s Quality Improvement Team.
- An outstanding, supportive faculty works to provide challenging and appropriate curriculum to meet the needs of all students.
- The English Language Learner (ELL) program is offered to students for whom English is a new language.

- South Side offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma program, a rigorous pre-university Program of Study that can result in a diploma that is recognized by many universities in their admission selection process, course credit, class standing and scholarship eligibility. The IB program seeks to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. South Side has offered the IB Diploma for 17 years and remains the only school in northeast Indiana with this prestigious program.

## Wayne High School

9100 Winchester Road • Fort Wayne, IN 46819 • 467-6400

Kyle Kirby, Principal

2011-12 Enrollment: 1,546

Wayne High School staff, students, parents and community share responsibility in providing a safe and caring environment that ensures students will be productive citizens who respect themselves and others, appreciate diversity, achieve academic excellence and demonstrate the skills necessary for lifelong learning.

- Wayne’s teaching staff places a strong emphasis on a rigorous and relevant curriculum to assess achievement and drive school improvement efforts.
- IPFW’s Upward Bound program offers an innovative tutoring and homework assistance program for students.
- Wayne participates fully in programming provided by the National Center for College Costs, which encourages education and training beyond high school and offers financial aid information to make education affordable.
- An in-house after-school tutoring program is operated by Wayne staff.
- The JAG Program is designed to assist students with developing life skills as well as helping them make the transition to post-secondary education or immediate entry into the workforce.
- Wayne has had seven Lilly Scholarship winners since the scholarship was initiated in 1998.
- The Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) Program instills the values of citizenship, service to the community, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment.
- Students can participate in more than 30 after-school academic, artistic, recreational or athletic programs including the Blue Guard, Student Council, Chess Club, bowling team, Step Team and varsity interscholastic athletic teams.
- Students can take honors, advanced and Advanced Placement courses as well as college classes to earn dual credits.
- The PTA Advisory Council recognizes that we must function as a learning community in partnership with parents.

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FWCS is the only school district  
in the county to offer full-day kindergarten  
to all students.

- Wayne is the site for the Business Program of Study, which provides students with an opportunity to explore how businesses operate and what skills are needed to be a successful entrepreneur. Students choose from one of three sequences: business management, accounting or marketing. All include an entrepreneurship component. Internship and mentoring opportunities are available through partnerships with businesses in northeast Indiana. The program will be fully in place by 2013.
- Wayne is the site for the New Tech Academy Program of Study. New Tech Academy is a national demonstration site for its outstanding use of project-based learning. Students at New Tech are engaged and challenged daily as they are enrolled in integrated classes using new technologies. Students work in

teams, completing rigorous, real-world assignments and projects that prepare them for college. All students are engaged in STEM activities to prepare them for the real world, including PLTW Engineering courses. Students learn in an innovative and professional environment, fostered by the use of advanced learning methods and technology.

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More than 21,000 students ride buses provided by FWCS Transportation.

# PROGRAMS

## CHILDCARE SERVICES

All early childhood and elementary schools offer childcare services through the YMCA, but some schools do not offer them on-site. Please refer to the information on page two or check with Student Services to see where childcare is located for schools not offering services on-site.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTION

FWCS provides lifelong learning opportunities to all Allen County residents. Programs include academic classes, GED preparation, technology, electronics, business and computer classes, recreation and youth and family activities. Classes take place at the Anthis Career Center, churches and FWCS sites throughout the city.

FWCS assists community members who are 16 years of age and older by offering high school credit and equivalency programs and adult vocational classes.

FWCS also works in partnership with many businesses and community-based organizations to provide educational services and classes for employees and residents. Courses in literacy, computers and specialized vocational training are available or can be developed.

**For more information on enrollment and availability of classes, call 467-1060 or 467-1075.**

## JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Most FWCS schools are sites for Junior Achievement, which helps students prepare for the workplace by providing economic and business education.

## LEARN UNITED EDUCATION INITIATIVE

United Way of Allen County's Learn United education initiative places School Buddies who work one on one with students providing literacy support and mentoring to students in 19 FWCS elementary schools: Abbett, Brentwood, Fairfield, Forest Park, Franke Park, Haley, Harrison Hill, Holland, Lincoln, Lindley, Maplewood, Nebraska, Northcrest, Scott, Shambaugh, South Wayne, Study, Washington and Waynedale.

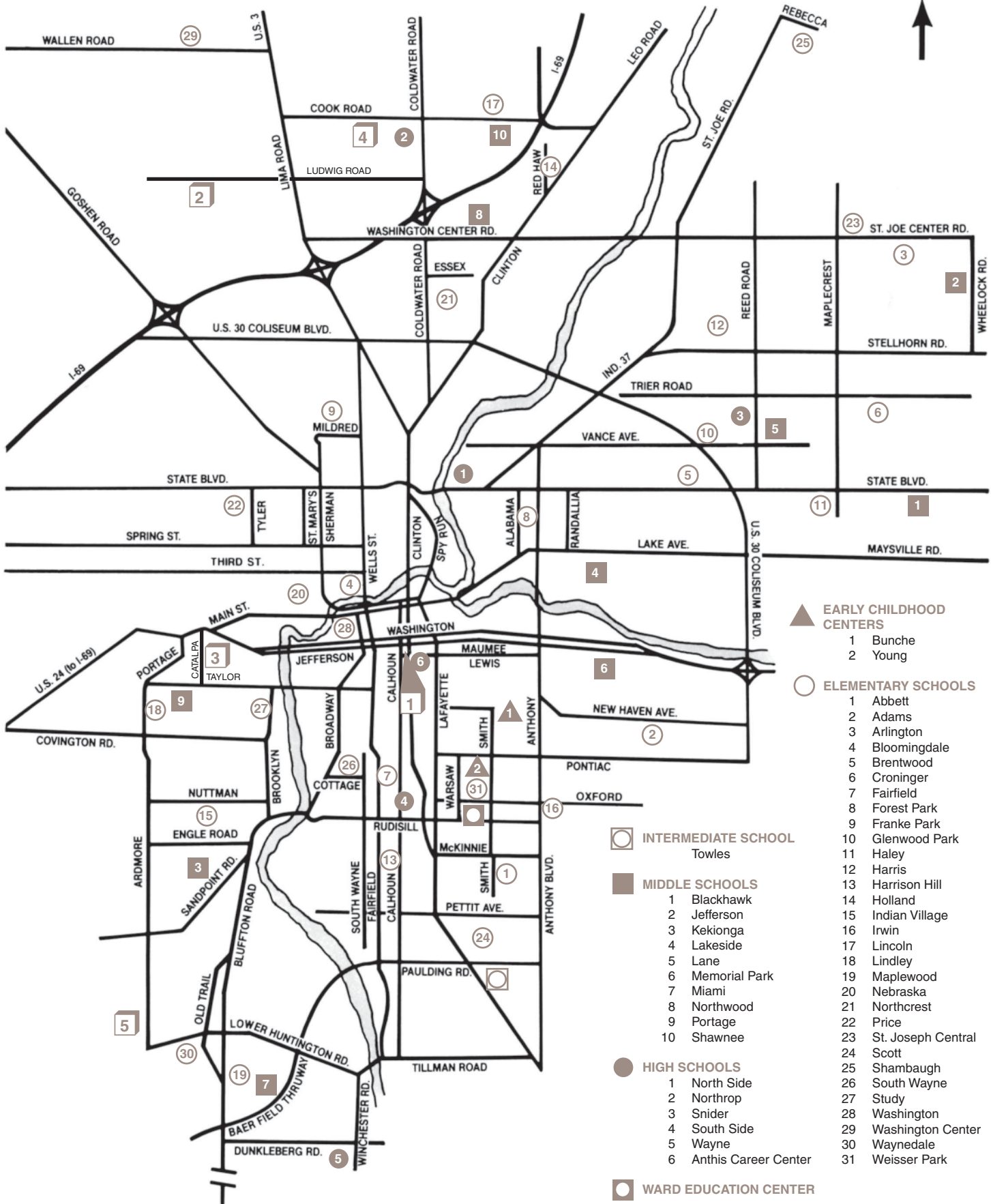
## SPECIAL EDUCATION

FWCS offers a full range of academic programs and support services to special needs students at school sites throughout the district. Special Education early childhood options are available for eligible children ages 3 to 5. Early childhood programs are offered at FWCS elementary schools and community/private nursery school sites. Services for infants with hearing impairments are available as well.

Homebound instruction for students with injury or temporary illness is also offered through Special Education. Call 467-1110 for information on all aspects of Special Education, including eligibility, placement and early childhood programs.

Anthis Career Center offers many programs that can result in job certifications, including FAA-Powerplant (Aviation Technology), Certified Nurse Assistant, Microsoft (Microsoft IT Academy), Indiana Cosmetology License, AWS (American Welding Society) and EMT (Emergency Medical Technician).

# SCHOOL LOCATIONS



- ▲ EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTERS
  - 1 Bunche
  - 2 Young
- ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
  - 1 Abbett
  - 2 Adams
  - 3 Arlington
  - 4 Bloomingdale
  - 5 Brentwood
  - 6 Croninger
  - 7 Fairfield
  - 8 Forest Park
  - 9 Franke Park
  - 10 Glenwood Park
  - 11 Haley
  - 12 Harris
  - 13 Harrison Hill
  - 14 Holland
  - 15 Indian Village
  - 16 Irwin
  - 17 Lincoln
  - 18 Lindley
  - 19 Maplewood
  - 20 Nebraska
  - 21 Northcrest
  - 22 Price
  - 23 St. Joseph Central
  - 24 Scott
  - 25 Shambaugh
  - 26 South Wayne
  - 27 Study
  - 28 Washington
  - 29 Washington Center
  - 30 Waynedale
  - 31 Weisser Park
- ◻ INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
  - Towles
- MIDDLE SCHOOLS
  - 1 Blackhawk
  - 2 Jefferson
  - 3 Kekionga
  - 4 Lakeside
  - 5 Lane
  - 6 Memorial Park
  - 7 Miami
  - 8 Northwood
  - 9 Portage
  - 10 Shawnee
- HIGH SCHOOLS
  - 1 North Side
  - 2 Northrop
  - 3 Snider
  - 4 South Side
  - 5 Wayne
  - 6 Anthis Career Center
- ◼ WARD EDUCATION CENTER

- ◻ ADMINISTRATION/OPERATIONS
  - 1 Grile Administration Center
  - 2 Nutrition Services

- 3 Printing Services/Media Services/Maintenance & Operations
- 4 Transportation North
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